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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: NOVEL ACETOACETYL-CoA REDUCTASE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE ALCOHOL	

**STATEMENT ACCORDING TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22131-1450

Dear Sir:

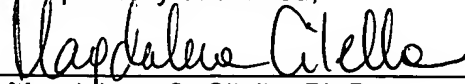
Submitted herewith is a sequence listing as part of the above-captioned patent application. Applicants' representative states that the content of the attached paper copy and the attached computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are the same.

Applicants' representative hereby verifies that the information on the accompanying diskette is identical to the sequence listing disclosed in the application. The enclosed sequence listing does not include any new matter that goes beyond the disclosure in the captioned application as filed.

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